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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the initial review of this non-provisional patent application entitled "*Designing Computer Programs*" by William Patrick O'Brien, please amend the application as follows: